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—Mrs. A. T. Bruce, of New York City, the mother of the late Dr. Adam T. Bruce, whose untimely end has been chronicled in these pages, has given Johns Hopkins University ten thousand dollars to found a fellowship in biology as a memorial of her son.

—Professor A. DeBary, of Strassburg, has received a call to the chair of botany and directorship of the Botanical Institute of the University of Leipzig, left vacant by the retirement of Professor A. Schenk.

—Dr. W. Branco, who has been a privatdocent at Berlin, goes to the University of Königsberg as professor of geology.

—Dr. Karl Dahl, the zoologist, and Dr. H. Traube, the mineralogist, have entered upon the duties of their professorships at the University of Kiel.

—Mr. Carl Eigenmann has gone to the Pacific coast. He hopes while there to make a study of the Embiotocoid fishes.

—Professor Barton W. Evermann, of Terre Haute, Indiana, will spend the summer collecting in the Gulf of California.

—Dr. Karl Möbius, who is well known for his researches in the Bay of Kiel, has been called to Berlin as professor of zoology and director of the museum in the University.

—Professor P. Falkenberg, formerly of Göttingen, goes to the University of Rostock to take the chair of botany there.

—Dr. A. Gravis, who has been at Brussels, has been elected professor of botany at Lüttich.

—RECENT DEATHS.—May 20, Professor Alexander Ecker, the well-known anatomist and anthropologist of Freiburg, at the age of seventy.—Professor J. E. Areschong, the Swedish botanist and author of several important works on Algæ, at the age of seventy-six.—Norbert Michot, editor of "The Flora of Henne-gaus," at Mons, aged eighty-four.—Professor D. F. Didrichsen, professor of botany, at Copenhagen, March 19, aged seventy-three.

PROCEEDINGS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES.

Kansas Society of Natural History.—I have to report the organization in Leavenworth of the Kansas Society of Natural History, with the following officers:

Dr. R. J. Brown, President; Dr. Chas. A. Carpenter, Vice-President; W. R. Lighton, Secretary and Treasurer.

The membership assures activity in the work which has been outlined, and this work is to embrace the study of all of the natural sciences, "with special reference to such as are of economic importance to the State of Kansas."—*W. R. Lighton, Secretary, Leavenworth.*